

2625 \$  
Bh

**PATENT APPLICATION  
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Docket No: Q66677

Takefumi NAGATA, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/981,253

Group Art Unit: 2625

Confirmation No.: 5979

Examiner: Barry Choobin

Filed: October 18, 2001

For: METHOD, APPARATUS, AND RECORDING MEDIUM FOR PROCESSING  
TOMOGRAPHIC IMAGE

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of three months, extending the time for responding to the Office Action of October 5, 2004 to April 5, 2005.

A check for the statutory fee of \$1020.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

04/06/2005 JADDD1 00000035 09981253

01 FC:1253

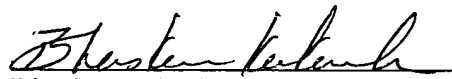
1020.00 OP

SUGHRUE MION, PLLC  
Telephone: (202) 293-7060  
Facsimile: (202) 293-7860

WASHINGTON OFFICE

**23373**

CUSTOMER NUMBER

  
Bhaskar Kakarla  
Registration No. 54,627

Date: April 5, 2005